

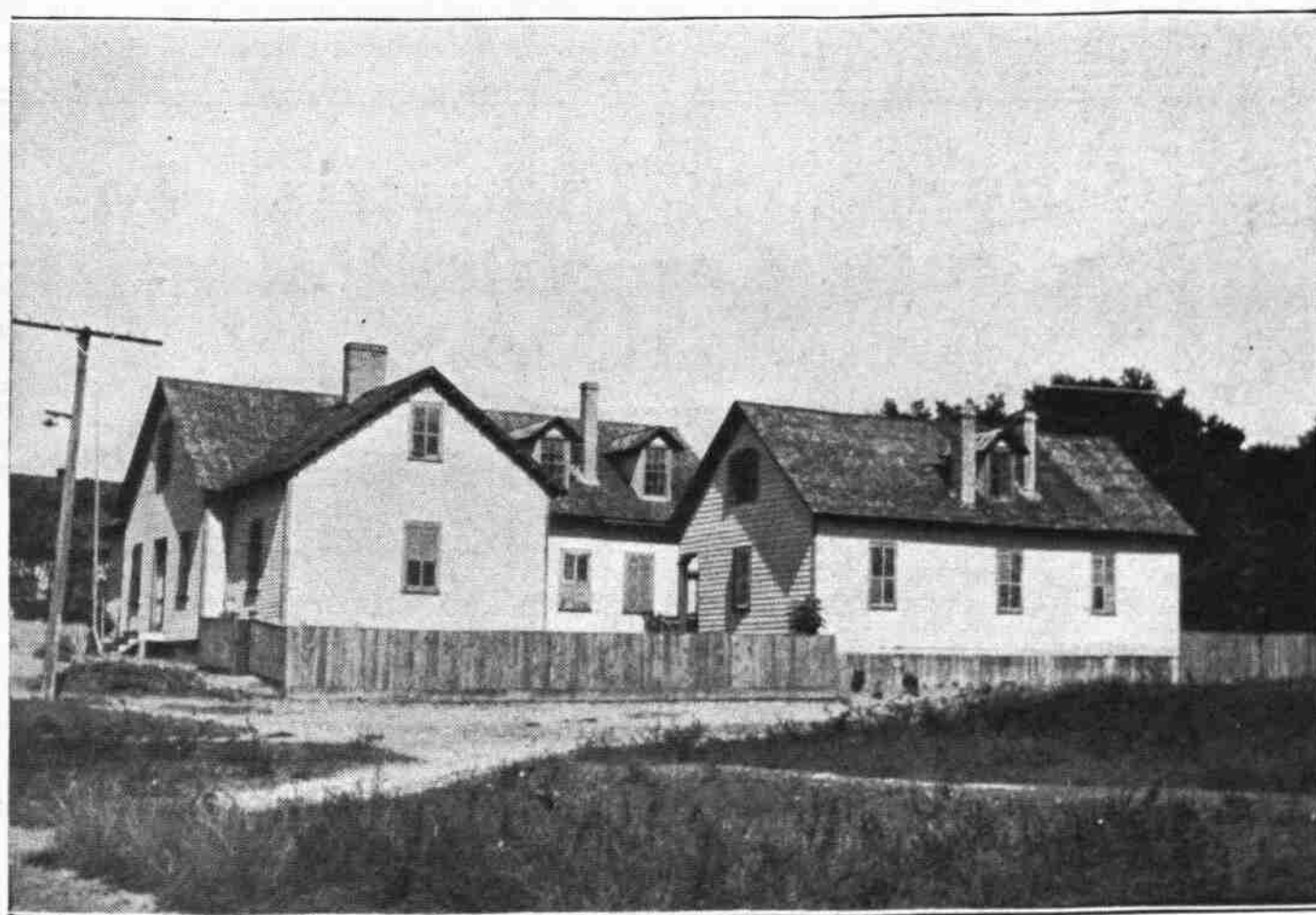
While non-sectarian in instruction, the school is thoroughly Christian. The students and teachers are expected to attend all chapel services. Occasionally they attend in a body the services of the different churches in the city. Short lectures on the Bible, morals, or manners are frequently given by the principal or some member of the faculty. Sunday-school is conducted by the teachers. The students are required to attend.

The Y. M. C. A. is directed by the young men. A Y. P. S. C. E. holds religious services every Sunday evening, and is attended by teachers and students. It encourages personal religious activity and endeavors to help the students to more fully realize individual responsibility.

Laing Normal and Industrial School, Mt. Pleasant, S. C.

Abby D. Munro, President

LAING NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL was founded in 1865 by Cornelia Hancock. Property valued at \$10,000. Annual expenses about \$3,000. There were 190 male and 150 female students in 1908 between the ages of six and eighteen years. There were 1 male and 9 female teachers, all Negroes.



LAING NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

The expenses are secured from voluntary contributions. A number of the pupils have become ministers after attending higher schools or colleges.

Southland College and Normal Institute, Southland, Ark.

Harry C. Wolford, Principal

THE Southland College and Normal Institute was founded in 1864 by the Indiana Society of Friends. The valuation of the property is \$50,000. The annual expenses are \$10,000. There were 132 male and 180 female students in 1908, between six and thirty years of age, average about fifteen years, and 3 male and 6 female teachers, 5 of whom were white and 4 colored. The expenses are met by interest on \$35,000, endowment, and donations.

The college is located on a farm of over three hundred acres, which lies to the northwest of Helena about nine miles.

Beside four large buildings, there is, on the campus, a dwelling for laborers, a large laundry, kitchen, commissary, wood houses, a general store, power house, blacksmith shop, a large barn and cribs, and all other necessary out-houses.

Students have access to a library in the college composed of works of antiquity, ancient and modern history, biography, science, various travels, poetry, Friends' writings, and general literature. There is a small cabinet containing interesting and valuable specimens. Specimens in geology, biography, mineralogy, and natural curiosity are solicited. The reading room is supplied with the best daily and weekly papers, as well as with good religious and literary magazines.

The Literary Society holds meetings every week in the chapel.

There is a Sabbath-school and Senior and Junior Christian Endeavor Society, in which special attention is given to temperance work. Meetings for divine worship are regularly held. Students are required to attend.

The Southland College and Normal Institute is the result of growth. In 1864, Indiana Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, a corporate body, sent Calvin and Alida Clark to start an asylum, under the direction of the government, for the care of colored orphan children, who were collected in large numbers at Helena, Ark. In this asylum they were cared for and given religious training, while they received instruction in the primary school which was started.

In January, 1866, those in charge of the work were compelled to seek location elsewhere. The great advantage of a country location, away from the influence of town, was presented. The